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SELECTED POPULATION CHARACTERISTICS	District estimate [1,2]	District percent [3]	State [3]
Total population	164,129		26,092,033
Age			
0 to 4 years	13,452	8.2%	7.4%
5 to 17 years	28,512	17.4%	19.4%
18 to 64 years	102,452	62.4%	62.3%
65 years and over	19,713	12.0%	10.9%
Population 5 years and over	150,677		24,151,280
Ability to speak English			
Speaks English only	123,083	81.7%	65.1%
Speaks other than English at home	27,594	18.3%	34.9%
Speaks English very well or well	23,201	15.4%	27.0%
Does not speak English well or at all	4,393	2.9%	8.0%
Special populations[4]			
Moved in the past 12 months	32,757	NA	4,370,297
Individuals with disabilities	21,769	NA	2,969,042
Veterans	18,374	NA	1,564,501
Active duty military	9,093	NA	97,573

SELECTED HOUSEHOLD CHARACTERISTICS	District estimate [1,2]	District percent [3]	State [3]
Number of households	55,832		9,013,582
Average number of persons per household[4,5]	2.79	NA	2.83
Households by composition			
1 person	14,873	26.6%	24.9%
2 persons	18,625	33.4%	31.4%
3 or 4 persons	17,087	30.6%	31.1%
5 or more persons	5,247	9.4%	12.6%
Household type			
Family households	38,667	69.3%	69.6%
Nonfamily households	17,165	30.7%	30.4%
Number of families	38,667		6,277,955
Families with children by birth, marriage or adoption under 18 years	18,612	48.1%	48.4%
Married-couple families	12,537	32.4%	32.9%
Families with both parents employed	6,587	17.0%	18.0%
Single-parent families	6,075	15.7%	15.6%
Families with the parent employed	4,471	11.6%	12.1%

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SELECTED EDUCATION CHARACTERISTICS	District estimate [1,2]	District percent [3]	State [3]
Population age 3 and over enrolled in school	42,771		7,366,632
School status			
In preschool (public and private)	2,321	5.4%	6.1%
In kindergarten, elementary, middle, or high school (public and private)	28,292	66.1%	69.0%
In preschool through 12th grade (public only)	28,442	66.5%	68.4%
In college, graduate, or professional school	12,158	28.4%	24.9%
Population age 25 and over	100,436		16,426,730
Educational attainment			
Bachelor's degree or higher	21,748	21.7%	27.1%
Less than high school graduate	12,701	12.6%	18.4%

SELECTED LABOR CHARACTERISTICS	District estimate [1,2]	District percent [3]	State [3]
Civilian employed population age 16 and over	65,614		11,809,010
Civilian employment sector			
Private sector	49,277	75.1%	78.8%
Government sector	13,054	19.9%	14.3%
Self-employed	3,200	4.9%	6.7%
Industry for civilian employed population			
Agriculture, forestry, fishing, hunting, and mining	617	0.9%	3.3%
Construction	3,679	5.6%	7.8%
Manufacturing	5,361	8.2%	9.3%
Wholesale trade	2,090	3.2%	3.0%
Retail trade	7,936	12.1%	11.6%
Transportation and warehousing and utilities	3,014	4.6%	5.4%
Information	1,097	1.7%	1.8%
Finance and insurance, and real estate and rental and leasing	3,180	4.8%	6.6%
Professional, scientific, management, administrative, and waste mgmt.	5,080	7.7%	10.9%
Educational services and health care and social assistance	18,133	27.6%	21.8%
Arts, entertainment, recreation, accommodation, and food services	6,592	10.0%	8.8%
Other services, except public administration	3,577	5.5%	5.4%
Public administration	5,258	8.0%	4.4%
Population 16 to 64 years	106,532		17,008,325
Worked at all in the past 12 months	79,504	74.6%	74.3%
Worked 50 - 52 weeks	62,258	58.4%	56.1%
Usually worked 35 or more hours per week	56,241	52.8%	49.3%
Usually worked less than 35 hours per week	6,017	5.6%	6.7%

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SELECTED LABOR CHARACTERISTICS (continued)	District estimate [1,2]	District percent [3]	State [3]
Workers age 16 and over	73,405		11,685,902
Means of transportation to work			
Public transportation	155	0.2%	1.6%
Private vehicle	67,403	91.8%	91.0%
Walk / bicycle / motorcycle	3,094	4.2%	2.1%
Taxi / other means	469	0.6%	1.3%
Worked at home	2,284	3.1%	4.1%
Travel time to work[6]			
Less than 15 minutes	32,560	44.4%	25.9%
15 minutes to 29 minutes	26,412	36.0%	35.1%
30 minutes to 44 minutes	7,535	10.3%	20.3%
45 minutes to 59 minutes	2,481	3.4%	7.6%
60 minutes or more	2,133	2.9%	7.0%

SELECTED INCOME CHARACTERISTICS	District estimate [1,2]	District percent [3]	State [3]
Persons in poverty[7]	26,055	16.8%	17.7%
Per capita income[4,5]	$23,547	NA	$26,513
Number of households	55,832		9,013,582
Annual household income			
Less than $10,000	4,572	8.2%	7.3%
$10,000 to $24,999	9,252	16.6%	16.1%
$25,000 to $49,999	15,869	28.4%	24.2%
$50,000 to $99,999	16,735	30.0%	29.5%
$100,000 to $199,999	7,842	14.0%	17.8%
$200,000 and over	1,562	2.8%	5.0%
Households with social security income	14,703	26.3%	24.6%
Households with supplemental security income (SSI)	2,752	4.9%	4.9%
Households with public assistance income[8]	1,604	2.9%	1.8%
Number of families living in poverty	4,786		862,797
With related children under 18	4,126	86.2%	80.4%
Married couple families	1,298	27.1%	29.6%
Single-parent families	2,828	59.1%	50.8%
Female head of household	2,532	52.9%	44.1%
Male head of household	296	6.2%	6.8%

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SELECTED HOUSING CHARACTERISTICS	District estimate [1,2]	District percent [3]	State [3]
Number of housing units	69,151		10,187,189
Age of housing			
Built in 2010 or later	1,303	1.9%	2.1%
Built between 2000 and 2009	11,344	16.4%	21.9%
Built between 1990 and 1999	9,831	14.2%	15.5%
Built between 1970 and 1989	26,568	38.4%	34.3%
Built before 1970	20,105	29.1%	26.2%
Occupancy status			
Owner-occupied	30,875	44.6%	55.5%
Renter-occupied	24,957	36.1%	33.0%
Vacant	13,319	19.3%	11.5%
Median gross rent (contract rent plus estimated utility and fuel cost)[4,5]	$796	NA	$870
Median value of owner-occupied housing units[4,5]	$112,300	NA	$131,400
Number of owner-occupied housing units	30,875		5,652,542
Value of owner-occupied housing			
Less than $50,000	3,256	10.5%	12.3%
$50,000 to $99,999	9,770	31.6%	23.7%
$100,000 to $199,999	12,120	39.3%	37.1%
$200,000 to $499,999	5,081	16.5%	22.7%
$500,000 and above	648	2.1%	4.3%
Selected monthly owner costs as a percentage of household income[9]			
35 percent or more	3,966	12.8%	17.4%
20 to 34.9 percent	7,491	24.3%	27.0%
Less than 20 percent	19,102	61.9%	54.8%
Vehicles available in owner-occupied housing units			
No vehicle	661	2.1%	2.4%
One or more vehicles	30,214	97.9%	97.6%
Number of renter-occupied housing units	24,957		3,361,040
Gross rent[10]			
Less than $500	3,289	13.2%	9.3%
$500 to $749	7,111	28.5%	24.0%
$750 to $999	5,956	23.9%	27.3%
$1,000 to $1,249	4,514	18.1%	16.4%
$1,250 and above	2,512	10.1%	17.4%
Gross rent as a percentage of household income[9]			
35 percent or more	9,049	36.3%	36.9%
20 to 34.9 percent	8,146	32.6%	31.0%
Less than 20 percent	5,514	22.1%	24.3%
Vehicles available in renter-occupied housing units			
No vehicle	3,260	13.1%	11.8%
One or more vehicles	21,697	86.9%	88.2%

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[2] The ACS data is gathered from surveys distributed to a sample of the population. The margins of error (MOEs) that accompany each of the estimates are available upon request from TLC. The MOE indicates the reliability of these estimates.

[3] State and district percentages are based on the totals in the general category shown above each group and marked by a gray bar.

[4] This report does not include state and district percentages for the special populations group or the variables that illustrate average or median values. For these variables, the state estimate is provided.

[5] Statistical weights are used to calculate the district estimates.

[6] Individuals who work at home are not included in these categories.

[7] Percentages are based on the population for whom poverty status is determined.

[8] Public assistance income includes Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) but not SSI or Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) / food stamps.

[9] Households reporting no income or a negative income (where expenses are more than income) are excluded.

[10] Only housing units with tenants paying rent are included in these categories. Rental units with tenants living in them for free or in exchange for services are not included. The percentages of units with no cash rent range from 1% to 22% across senate and house districts.

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